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METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR OPERATING AN EDGE ROUTER

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All of the Applicant(s)' claims are believed to be allowable over the references discussed above.

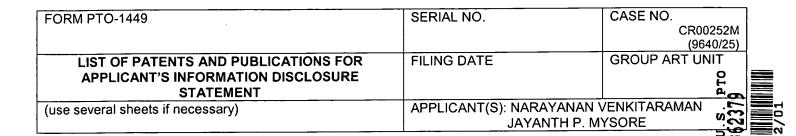
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	A2	An article entitled "Core-Stateless Fair Queueing: Achieving Approximately Fair Bandwidth Allocations in High Speed Networks" [Authors ION STOICA, SCOTT SHENKER and HUI ZHANG, Carnegie Mellon University, not dated, pp. 1-13].				
	A3	An article entitled "Providing Guaranteed Services Without Per Flow Management" [Authors ION STOICA, HUI ZHANG, Carnegie Mellon University, not dated, pp. 1-14]				
	A4	A master's thesis entitled "Providing Weighted Fairness in the Corelite QOS Architecture Design and Evaluation" [Author NARAYANAN VENKITARAMAN, dated 1999, pp. 1-44]				

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